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EXAMINER'S COMMENTS

Response to Order Remanding to Examiner

The application was returned to the examiner for matters requiring attention prior to docketing. Specifically, the Examiner's Answer mailed April 1, 2002 was deficient in that the identification of two references, Borst et al and Przelomiec, were missing under the heading of "prior art of record." To correct the above stated deficiency, Borst et al and Przelomiec have been included under the heading of "prior art of record" in the Supplemental Examiner's Answer. Further, it was indicated that the record was incomplete in that there was no response to paper number 13. However, no response is necessary for paper number 13. Paper number 13 is a mailed duplicate copy of paper number 9 which was submitted via facsimile. Paper number 13 has now been unentered and is labeled duplicate of paper number 9. It is the examiner's belief that the application is now in condition for docketing.

Conclusion

1. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to examiner Raymond Persino whose telephone number is (703) 308-7528. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 8:00 AM to 5:30 PM. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dwayne Bost, can be reached on (703) 305-4778. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9314.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

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